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Re: Application No: 10/681, 103

Art Unit 1616

Dear Examiner John Pak:

Thank you very much for your examination of our application and your advice on our amendment of claims.

While following your instructions to amend our claims, I found we had not written our original claims properly to show that the component ingredients of the liquid additive and the health pills are actually inseparable and interactive. I, after contacting the major inventor, elected Group 3 (claim on the health pills) as our invention and indicate the liquid additive as supplemental to the health pills.

At the same time, we inventors need to correct a few errors in our original specification.

Attached please find a summary of the interview, a description of the amendment, a description of inventors' corrections, as well as a copy of the amended specification.

If you have any questions or need further information, please feel free to contact me at the address above. Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Faye Zhengxing, Ph.D.



Application No: 10/681, 103

Applicants: Fei Dehou ET AL.

Interviewee: Faye Zhengxing

Examiner: John Pak

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## **SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW**

On July 7, 2005 Examiner John Pak conducted a telephone interview with one of the inventors Faye Zhengxing of the application numbered as above. There was no exhibit shown or demonstration conducted or specific prior art discussed. All the claims in this application were briefly discussed.

The Examiner mainly pointed out the amendment needed to meet the restriction requirement. More specifically, the applicant was advised that a patent claim in U.S. practice must contain only one sentence. The agreement reached that day was that the applicant would amend their claims by following Examiner's instructions: 1) elect one invention; 2) cancel claims 1-4; 3) submit new Claim 5.

To further explain how the claim should be amended, the Examiner faxed to the applicant two samples of application for US patents, which gave the applicant a rough idea on how to best present the patentable novelty in a professional style. The Examiner instructed applicant to read the web site of USPTO to understand all the procedural and substantive issues related to their amendment.

The Examiner informed the applicant that the reply was due by July 21, 2005 though the applicant told the Examiner that she received the Examiner's letter only a few days ago due to the absence of the major inventor who lives at a different address and is out of this country at present.

On the whole, the interview was short and effective in the sense that the applicant believed she knew how to amend their claims and other parts of the Specifications.